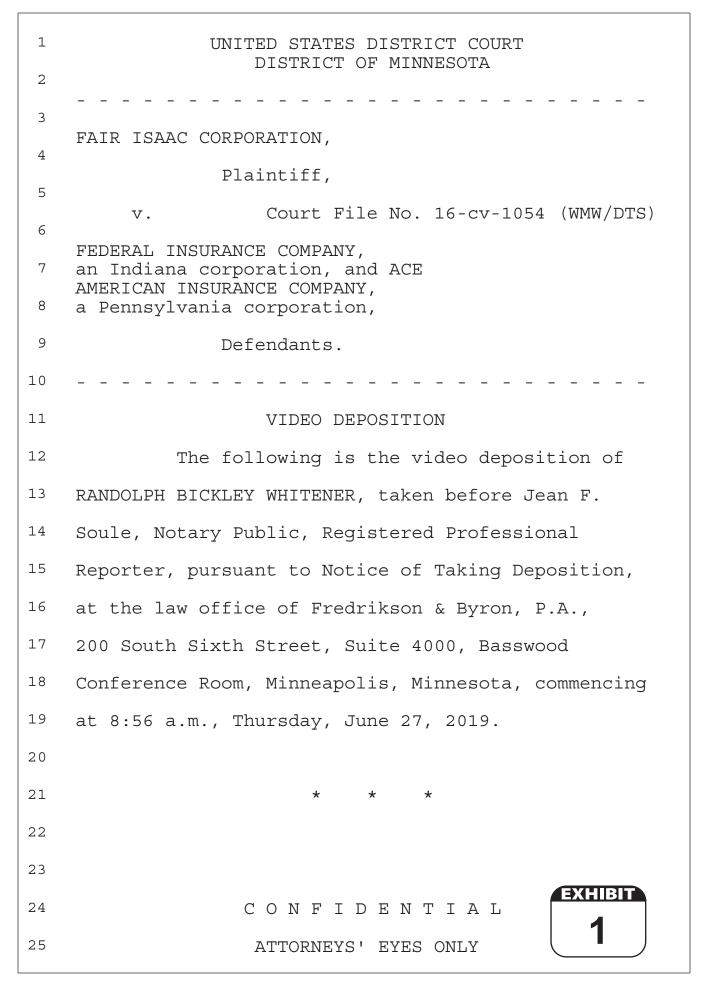
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¹ Advisor, and if the rule is you can't do this if with anyone in preparing your reports? 2 the person is age 21 and under and you want to MR. HINDERAKER: Again, exclusive of 3 change that to 25 and under, you highlight the 1, 3 lawyers. 4 and you press the delete key, you type in 5, and THE WITNESS: Well, then, my response 5 then you save it. ⁵ is exclusive of attorneys, no. THE WITNESS: Thank you, Allen. 6 BY MS. JANUS: MR. HINDERAKER: You're welcome. Okay. And the demonstration you had 8 BY MS. JANUS: 8 yesterday with Thiago was the first time that you Did the presentation yesterday or the 9 had talked with anyone at FICO other than Bill 10 demo yesterday refer in any way to Federal? 10 Waid, correct? 11 11 A. Α. Yes, that is correct. 12 Q. 12 Did Thiago discuss Federal's use of Q. You refer to the conversation you had 13 Blaze? 13 with Bill Waid on November 12th, 2018, in your 14 ¹⁴ report. Was that a conversation over the phone? A. No. 15 15 A. Yes. Q. Do you know whether Thiago had any 16 knowledge of Federal's use of Blaze? 16 Q. How long did it last? 17 Α. 17 Oh, I'm sorry, I couldn't guess. If 18 Q. Did you discuss the deposition today 18 you want me to pull a number out of the air, I'd 19 with Thiago? 19 say 45 minutes. It was -- it was longer than 20 Α. 20 15 minutes and it was less than two hours, 21 45 minutes. 21 THE WITNESS: Excuse me. My sinuses 22 ²² are not particularly fond of Minnesota, the great Q. And did you only have one conversation 23 State of Minnesota. 23 with Mr. Waid? A. 2.4 2.4 That is correct. MS. JANUS: We've been going about an ²⁵ hour. If you want to take a quick break? 25 What did you discuss with Mr. Waid Page 39 1 THE WITNESS: I think I can go like during the conversation? MR. HINDERAKER: I believe there were ² ten more minutes. 3 MS. JANUS: Okay. 3 lawyers involved ---THE WITNESS: But I am going to need a 4 THE WITNESS: That is correct. MR. HINDERAKER: -- in that 5 break shortly. 6 6 conversation. So we'll maintain a work product and MS. JANUS: All right. Well, why ⁷ don't we just break now and then --⁷ a privilege objection. I don't have any quarrel THE WITNESS: That's fine. 8 with you asking about whether any of that 9 MS. JANUS: -- we can reconvene. ⁹ conversation bears on the opinions that are THE WITNESS: Okay. 10 10 reported. But the conversation per se with the 11 11 lawyers involved and the work product, I -- I THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Going off the 12 record. The time is 10:00 a.m. 12 instruct you not to disclose that. 13 (Break from 10:00 to 10:08.) 13 BY MS. JANUS: 14 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We're back on the Q. Did your conversation with Bill Waid 15 record. The time is 10:08 a.m. 15 inform any of the opinions that you have in this 16 BY MS. JANUS: 16 matter? 17 Q. You have referred to artifacts several 17 A. 18 times this morning. What do you mean by that? Why did you list it under information 18 Q. 19 19 considered in your report on page 1? I mean the case documents that I have 20 20 been provided for reading, review and use. Because I felt that not to list it 21 Artifacts is a -- is a insurance industry 21 would be erroneous on my part, because I, in fact, 22 technological term. All business requirements, for 22 talked with him.

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23 instance, are referred to as artifacts.

Other than the demo that you received

²⁵ from Thiago, have you had any other conversations Page 40

Okay. And your testimony is that none

24 of the information that you obtained during your

25 conversation with Mr. Waid has any bearing at all

1 on your opinions in this matter? 1 underwriting, financial management, planning, Α. Correct. ² product development, project management, general What topics did you discuss with ³ (field operations) management, and business 4 Mr. Waid during the call in November 12th? 4 management of technology," correct? MR. HINDERAKER: I object to that as A. That is correct. 6 work product and attorney-client privilege. Q. And so would you say it's a fair 7 BY MS. JANUS: ⁷ characterization that most of your experience in Q. Are you --8 the insurance industry does not directly relate to MR. HINDERAKER: And I instruct you 9 technology? 10 A. 10 not to answer. No. 11 BY MS. JANUS: 11 Q. Only one of the categories of 12 Q. Are you following that instruction? 12 experience that you list -- and having worked in 13 Α. I am. 13 many parts of the insurance industry -- includes Q. 14 What questions did you ask Mr. Waid 14 any direct connection to technology, correct? 15 during your conversation on November 12th, 2018? 15 I agree with that statement. MR. HINDERAKER: I have the same 16 16 Okay. And that's the last one that 17 objections, and I instruct you not to answer. 17 you list, the business management of technology, 18 THE WITNESS: I follow the advice of 18 correct? 19 19 counsel for plaintiff. A. Correct. 20 BY MS. JANUS: 20 Q. You say you've had experience 21 Q. What answers did Mr. Waid give to the 21 underwriting, correct? 22 questions that you asked him on November 12th, 2018? 22 A. Correct. MR. HINDERAKER: I have the same 23 O. And as -- when you say experience 24 objections, and I instruct the witness not to ²⁴ underwriting, describe what type of experience, 25 answer. 25 just in general terms, you're referring to? Page 43 Page 45 1 THE WITNESS: I comply with plaintiff As an underwriter -- I was an ² underwriter twice, in Hartford, Connecticut, and 2 counsel's request. 3 BY MS. JANUS: 3 in -- the second time in Washington, D.C. My Q. Did -- Who was present on the phone 4 general responsibilities will be similar to --5 call with Mr. Waid on November 12th, 2018? 5 which you will hear almost any underwriter describe, 6 There were four people involved in the 6 I was responsible for interfacing with and selling 7 phone call, myself, Mr. Waid and two lawyers. 7 The Hartford to independent agents in a -- a THE WITNESS: The lawyers names? 8 specific defined territory. I was responsible for MR. HINDERAKER: If she wants to know, 9 underwriting for that group of agents, every new 10 that's fine. 10 business application that came in that they 11 THE WITNESS: Mr. Woodward and 11 submitted. I was responsible for reviewing and 12 Missus -- if I wouldn't --12 underwriting any changes to policies that were 13 MR. HINDERAKER: Kliebenstein. 13 submitted by those agents that required THE WITNESS: Yeah, Mrs. Kliebenstein. 14 underwriting attention. I was responsible for 15 I always -- I don't get -- I don't have a problem 15 reviewing renewals that were come -- policies that 16 with the Stein, it's the Klee (phonetic), because 16 were coming up for renewal to determine whether we 17 I'm prone to turn her into a Kly (phonetic). I'm 17 wanted to make any modifications or we were just 18 sorry, continue, please. 18 going to allow the renewal to continue as is. I 19 BY MS. JANUS: 19 was responsible for underwriting what The Hartford 20 Q. All right. Let's talk about your 20 called risk alerts. So if the claims department 21 education and experience, which begins on page 2 of 21 flagged a specific claim as needing scrutiny and 22 your report. 22 that claim was for a policy submitted by one of the 23 23 agents for which I was responsible, I would review I'm there. Okay. You write that you "have worked 24 that policy almost immediately after the claims 25 occurrence had taken place. That's a 50,000 foot Page 46

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25 in many parts of the insurance industry, including

1	overview.			
2	Q. Okay. I take it in your work as an			
3	underwriter, your expertise, your personal			
4	expertise was important to the performance of your			
5	underwri	ting duties?		
6	A.	Yes.		
7	Q.	Your personal judgment was crucial in		
8	the perfo	ormance of your underwriting duties, correct?		
9	A.	Yes.		
10	Q.	Would you say your expertise and		
11	judgment in underwriting were the most important			
12	aspects	of your success as an underwriter?		
13	A.	No.		
14	Q.	What was?		
15	A.	I I do not undervalue the		
	=	nce of that expertise. However, that is one		
17	part of a	Rubik's Cube.		
18		So my ability to have a high level		
		you familiar with the phrase EQ, emotional		
	•	t, and be able to interface with a very,		
	-	erse agency plant and then a very, very		
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23	in combination with various other departments, such			
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1 admin system?
       A.
            Multiple admin policy systems.
       Q.
            But you did not use the policy admin
4 system as an underwriter?
       A.
            This was 1977, that is correct.
       Q.
            Did you as an underwriter define rules
<sup>7</sup> that were used by The Hartford to underwrite
8 insurance?
       A.
            At what point in time?
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       Q.
            Any point in time?
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       A.
            Yes.
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       Q.
            Okay. When did you do that?
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       A.
            That would have been when -- pardon
14 me. That would have been when I was now back --
15 back up in home office, excuse me, and had come
16 back to the underwriting department from the
  planning department.
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       Q.
            Do you have a rough time period on
19 that?
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            Um, I believe I came back from the
21 planning department in late nineteen eighty -- yes,
22 '84, yeah, give or take a century.
           And we'll go through the experience
24 that you've listed. But just in general terms,
<sup>25</sup> what was your role in creating rules that were used
1 in the underwriting process?
       A. We would have an annual review. So,
3 at this point, I was in what was called the line of
4 business. Today you would know it as the product
5 department, and we would -- we would have an annual
6 review using multiple data sources, actuarial data,
7 profit and loss statements for our various products
8 by jurisdiction, and that jurisdiction was down
9 into the individual rating territory, and we would
10 look and we would see if we wanted to modify our
11 rules, add rules, subtract rules, change from 21 to
12 25, change from sand and gravel to U-Haul vans,
13 kind of a thing.
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            So you looked at the data that you had
15 based on past performance, correct?
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            I'm not -- I'm not sure I understand
       Δ.
17 the question.
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       Q.
            Well, you described --
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            As it relate -- as it relates to my
20 time at The Hartford?
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       Q.
            Yes.
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       Α.
            Okay. Now restate the question,
23 please.
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Okay. So you -- you -- you were

25 describing the process of creating rules when you

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- were at the Hartford?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And it sounds to me like you would
- 4 look at the data from past performance for a given
- 5 product; is that correct?
- As long as you put an "S" on the end ⁷ of it, that's correct, products.
 - Q. Products.
- 9 A. Yeah.
- 10 Q. Okay. And -- and then you, based on
- 11 your expertise and experience as an underwriter,
- 12 would decide whether to change the rules that were
- 13 in place, keep them the same, add rules, et cetera?
 - Yeah.
- 15 Q. Okay.

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- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 And where did those rules reside when you were at The Hartford? 18
- 19 In keeping with Mr. McCarter's reply 20 or rebuttal of my report, they were hard coded in 21 Cobalt.
- 2.2 For someone who is not in the
- 23 industry, what does hard coded in Cobalt mean?
 - Programmed in a language that
- 25 insurance companies would prefer not to use today
- 1 in modern technology times. So Cobalt is a
- 2 proga -- programming language, and I -- I could not
- 3 go up to a computer with a technologist at any
- 4 insurance company and have them bring up on their
- 5 screen Cobalt programming language and decipher
- 6 what's going on. I don't -- I don't write or speak 7 Cobalt.
- Q. So you don't know exactly how Cobalt
- 9 works?
- 10 That is correct. I know -- I know
- 11 what my responsibility was, was to define the new
- 12 rules that we wanted to implement, the existing
- 13 rules that we wanted to modify or any rules that we
- 14 wanted to take out of the production system and
- 15 write the business requirement for it, make sure
- 16 that the business requirement was testable -- that,
- 17 by the way, requires a conversation with the IT
- 18 folks -- and then rely on my IT compatriots to
- 19 implement the rule, test it and make sure it was 20 doing as prescribed.
- I would have -- if the -- if the IT
- 22 people had any questions about the test results,
- 23 they would come see me, but I was not heavily
- 24 involved in the testing.

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When you say "the business

- 1 requirement," what do you mean?
- It is the responsibility of the
- 3 business unit to articulate what they want the
- 4 technology to do. That articulation is called a
- ⁵ business requirement.
 - Q. So your role was really on the
- substantive development of the rules?
- I don't understand the question,
- substantive development of the rules.
 - Q. The defining of the rules?
 - A. It was not limited to that, but I did
- 12 do that, yes.

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- Q. Okay. I take it you would agree that
- 14 there's a substantial amount of value to the
- 15 insurance company in defining the rules?
 - I disagree with that statement in
- 17 isolation. There is a high value to an insurance
- 18 company in defining the rules and having the -- I'm
- 19 going to call it processes in place that make sure
- 20 the rules are executed. There's a difference
- 21 between defining the rules and executing the rules.
- 22 Okay. The defining of the rules comes
- 23 from the expertise of the underwriters and the
- 24 other business people at the insurance company,
- 25 correct?

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- A. Correct. Inside of the insurance
- ² company's organizational construct where defining
- 3 the rules is their responsibility.
 - Q. And if --
- That could be -- it could be product,
- ⁶ it could be underwriting, it depends.
- You would agree with me that if the
- 8 rules are not defined properly, the insurance
- company will not make money, correct?
 - I will agree with you that if the
- 11 rules do not reflect accurately the company's risk
- 12 appetite and their definition of acquiring adequate
- 13 accurate premium, the result of that will be losing
- 14 money on those policies.
 - So, without good rules, an insurance
- 16 company cannot make money, correct?
 - That is part of the scenario, correct.
- 18 Well, you'd agree with me, I take it,
- 19 as an experienced underwriter that it's the most
- 20 important part of the scenario, correct?
 - Again, I don't agree with that,
- 22 because I believe you are not accounting for the
- 23 fact that after the rules are authored they have to
- 24 be executed, and one of our -- one of every
- 25 insurance company's processes is the consistent $_{\mathrm{Page}}^{\mathrm{54}}$

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- 1 weekly, monthly, quarterly, annually review of the
- 2 quality of the decisions their underwriters are
- 3 making. Not all underwriters are created equal.
- In a best case scenario, I would agree
- 5 with your statement. If every underwriter were an
- 6 A-plus player, I would agree that.
- Q. Okay. If --
- 8 A. Every underwriter is not an A-plus
- ⁹ player.
- Q. So people, differences in people can
- 11 make a difference in whether the right rules are
- 12 implemented in the right way, fair?
- 13 **A. Fair.**
- Q. But without the right rules, without
- 15 good rules developed by the insurance company, the
- 16 insurance company is not going to make any money,
- 17 correct?
- 18 A. I would say that without the right
- 19 rules, using your nomenclature, the expected
- 20 performance will be less than if you started the
- 21 process with the right rules.
- Q. I mean, we could easily play this out
- 23 to say if an insurance company had a rule that
- 24 consistently caused it to issue policies to
- 25 businesses that had claims that far exceeded the

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- 1 premiums those businesses paid, that would not be a
- 2 good rule, correct?
- 3 A. It would not be a good thing, and
- 4 they, clearly, would not be good rules, singular or
- 5 plural.
- 6 Q. The definition of those rules would
- ⁷ cause the insurance company to lose money in that
- 8 scenario that I described?
 - A. Allow me to reiterate. The
- 10 performance would be less, depending upon the
- 11 variability of acquiring the correct adequate
- 12 accurate premium for the lost cause, it could be a
- 13 small loss, it could be a large loss. It could be
- 14 less profit depending upon in that range.
- 15 Insurance is a numbers game.
- Q. Would you agree that underwriting
- 17 insurance policies is a complex process?
- A. Is this a general question about
- 19 insurance? Then I would say it is a complex
- 20 business. I would say underwriting can be more
- 21 complex based on the -- you've read my report, I
- 22 describe market segments, based on the market
- 23 segment. So, for instance, Federal's specialty
- 24 unit, I would suspect, but don't know, that their
- 25 underwriters have a higher level of expertise.
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- 1 Whereas, the folks that they have underwriting
- 2 their main street commercial -- my phraseology, not
- 3 theirs -- could potentially have a slightly less
- 4 level of expertise. But I generally describe the
- 5 insurance industry as a complex business.
 - Q. There's lots of judgment involved in
- 7 the insurance industry?
 - A. There is judgment involved in every
- 9 industry. There is judgment involved in the
- 10 insurance industry and the underwriting process
- 11 because it's pegged to acquire adequate accurate
- 12 information and adequate premium for the loss cost.
- 13 You remember the phrase loss cost? Okay. Loss
- cost, there can be some judgment involved in that.
 - I worked for the president of an
- 16 insurance once -- company once who looked at me and
- 17 said -- actually looked at one of my friends and
- 18 said, I can have the most actuarially accurate
- 19 policy -- or, I'm sorry, price point in the world
- 20 and not sell a single policy. Okay.
- 21 So there -- depending upon the market
- 22 segment, the product, the industry classification,
- 23 there can be relatively more or relatively less --
- 24 I'm sorry, your term -- judgment in the process,
- 25 and that judgment is reflected in both the field
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- 1 people interfacing with the agency plant and in
- 2 the -- and I'm going to use the word product
- ³ instead of underwriting, because that's -- tends to
- 4 be a more common phraseology nowadays, those
- 5 underwriting product people in the definition of
- 6 the rates, rules and forms for the product.
- 7 Remember, my experience definition of insurance
- 8 product is rates, rules and forms.
 - Q. All right. Looking back at the
- 10 report, you -- we talked about your experience
- 11 underwriting, you also talk about financial
- 12 management, correct?
 - A. That is correct.
- 14 Q. And --

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- 15 A. A better phrase for that might be
- 16 financial reporting.
 - Q. Financial reporting, okay.
 - And that experience did not include a
- 19 expertise in technology, correct?
 - A. Correct.
 - Q. So --
- 22 A. Although I will -- I will quite
- 23 frankly say that every number that hit my desk came
- 24 from a -- from a technology system, but I accepted
- 25 the data as it was and believed that the technology $^{
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- Said in isolation, that's a correct 2 statement. But, remember, I will -- I will always 3 be taking you back to the Rubik's Cube, it's not 4 just one thing.
- You said the quality the product is 6 another factor that determines whether a consumer 7 will purchase an insurance product, correct?
 - Correct.
- Q. And we talked about the development of 10 insurance products previously, correct?
 - Yes.

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- 12 Q. Those are developed using the expertise 13 of that insurance company, the individuals' 14 knowledge who work there and possibly in 15 consultation with insurance experts, correct?
- 16 Α. Correct.
- 17 Q. And you also mentioned the value 18 received in connection with the quality of the 19 product, correct?
 - A. Correct.
- 21 Essentially does the consumer believe Q. 22 that they are paying a fair price for the product 23 they're purchasing?
- 2.4 There are approximately 328 million 25 humans in the United States. The number of $_{\mathrm{Page}}$ 71
- 1 businesses is not nearly that large, but it's ² significant. Each of those will establish in their 3 own mind their definition of value.
- So it's impossible to specifically 5 answer your question. As a general observation, 6 the value is defined by each customer, be it ⁷ commercial or personal, and it's a combination of 8 things.
- Q. You mentioned the relationship with 10 the broker?
- 11 A. Or independent agent.
- 12 And by that, do you mean the 13 consumer's relationship with the broker or the 14 independent agent?
- I mean both. So you have three 16 parties, correct? So at the left end of the 17 spectrum you have the consumer, be it business or 18 be it personal. At the right end of the spectrum 19 you have the insurance company, and in the middle 20 you have the independent agent or broker. The 21 consumer will primarily focus on the relationship 22 with the independent agent or broker.
- You will see articles published about 24 expert advice. So the consumer is looking at that 25 broker or independent agent as a provider of, quote

- 1 unquote, expert advice. Okay. And, then, the 2 broker is looking at the company for the things I 3 have articulated earlier. The broker, in the 4 relationship with the consumer, will have an opinion 5 about who that broker wants to do business with.
- So personal relationships between the 7 consumer and the broker and the broker and the 8 insurance company affect decisions about whether to purchase a particular product?
- 10 And affect differently across the 11 three market segments I've articulated.
- 12 You've said, then, finally, remittance 13 processing?
 - A. Billing.
 - Q. Billing? Okay.
- 16 Α. Well --

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- 17 Q. And how --
- 18 A. The -- the great thing about 19 remittance processing it's an all-encompassing 20 term. Billing insinuates that it's the demand from
- 21 the insurance company going out to the consumer or 22 the customer. But when that money comes back in,
- 23 it's got to be placed in the right bucket. Okay.
- 24 So I refer to it as remittance 25 processing. It's that all-encompassing ask for $_{\rm Page~73}$

- 1 money, get money, put it in the right place.
 - Okay. And how does that in your mind,
- 3 how does that impact a consumer's decision to
- 4 purchase an insurance product?
- There are two impacts here. So the 6 first one is, remember, zero times X is zero. So
- 7 the -- the independent agent -- an independent
- 8 agent's relationship with any insurance company can
- 9 be soured if, in fact, the remittance processing 10 process is inefficient or inaccurate.
- The one thing from -- so I'm going to 12 speak to billing, and I'm going to speak to claims.
- 13 Okay. One thing an independent agent never wants
- 14 is for one of their customers to be billed
- 15 incorrectly, and one thing the insurance company
- 16 doesn't want is to pay too little or too less on an 17 occurrence. So the insurance company -- I
- 18 articulate this in my report. The insurance
- 19 company wants every penny that it's entitled to, 20 not one penny that it is not.
- 21 The policyholder, when you get to 22 remittance processing, you are playing with their 23 budget and their financial bank statements, and 24 they don't like errors. It's as simple as that.
 - We've been talking about what goes

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1 into a consumer's decision to purchase a given
                                                                         MR. HINDERAKER: I'm going to object
 2 insurance product. I take it you'd agree with me
                                                              <sup>2</sup> to the argumentative nature of that. He was trying
                                                              3 to answer --
 3 that if an insurance company uses Blaze in some
 4 aspect of the process to underwrite an insurance
                                                                          MS. JANUS: No, no, no, no, don't
 5 product for a particular customer, that the use of
                                                              5 coach him, don't coach him.
 6 Blaze in and of itself would not influence that
                                                                          MR. HINDERAKER: I'm not.
 7 customer's decision to purchase the product, would
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                                                                         MS. JANUS: Al, I'll stop you there.
 8 you agree with that?
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                                                                          MR. HINDERAKER: Fine.
       A. I agree that the direct consumer, be
                                                                         MS. JANUS: Let's not get into that.
10 it a business or a family entity, personal lines,
                                                             10 It was a fair question, it wasn't argumentative.
11 does not see or care about any of the technologies
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                                                                          MR. HINDERAKER: And you --
12 that an insurance company takes to -- I'm going to
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                                                                         MS. JANUS: I want an answer.
13 use the word fulfill, fulfill its insurance
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                                                                          MR. HINDERAKER: I was just trying to
14 process, be it policy issuance, be it claims, be it
                                                             14 say, he was trying to answer that question. So let
15 billing. The consumer is oblivious to that. I
                                                             15 him finish his answer, please.
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16 probably would --
                                                                         MS. JANUS: Please don't raise your
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           MR. HINDERAKER: Go ahead, finish your
                                                             17 voice with me.
18 answer.
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           THE WITNESS: I probably would not
                                                                         MS. JANUS: And stop coaching the
20 make the same statement for the broker.
                                                             20 witness. As soon as I get to a question you don't
21 BY MS. JANUS:
                                                             21 like, you start coaching. Okay.
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            So the consumer that you referred to
                                                                          MR. HINDERAKER: I --
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23 does not care whether Federal uses Blaze in any of
                                                                         MS. JANUS: Let's stop it now. He's
24 its processes in connection with selling or
                                                             24 your expert, he should be able to handle it.
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25 administering a given insurance policy, fair?
                                                                         MR. HINDERAKER: I like your --
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           MR. HINDERAKER: The question
                                                                         MS. JANUS: All right. I'm going to --
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 <sup>2</sup> misstates the answer, and I object for that reason.
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                                                                         MR. HINDERAKER: I like -- I liked
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           THE WITNESS: May I answer?
                                                              <sup>3</sup> your question.
           MS. JANUS: Yes.
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                                                                         MS. JANUS: I'm going to --
           THE WITNESS: Or respond?
                                                                         MR. HINDERAKER: And I'd like him to
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           MR. HINDERAKER: Yes, you may.
                                                              6 have a chance to answer.
           THE WITNESS: Okay. Thank you. Just
                                                              7 BY MS. JANUS:
 8 asking for the rules.
                                                                     Q. I'm going to ask my question again,
                                                              9 and I'd like an answer to it, and I think -- I
           The consumer cares that the value
10 proposition, a combination of coverages, exclusions
                                                              10 think your previous answers pretty obviously
11 and price, meet their needs and their expectation.
                                                             11 suggest this. I just want to make it clear on the
12 Okay. The insurance company cares that the -- oh,
                                                             12 record, as I'm entitled to do, I'm entitled to
13 and, I'm sorry, I need to put speed in there. All
                                                             13 create the record.
14 right. So -- so if you look at speed of response
                                                                         You would agree with me, I take it,
and you look at adequacy of price in combination
                                                             15 based on your previous testimony, that a consumer
<sup>16</sup> with the proposed package, the consumer cares about
                                                             16 making a decision to purchase an insurance product
17 that. The broker --
                                                             17 from Federal does not care whether or not Blaze was
18 BY MS. JANUS:
                                                             18 used at any point in the process of selling or
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 Q. I'm sorry, let me just stick with my

                                                             19 underwriting that insurance product, correct?
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20 question for a moment. I want to make sure I've
                                                                     A.
                                                                          Correct.
21 got an answer to my question.
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                                                                     Q.
                                                                          You would agree with me that, in fact,
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           I asked you whether you would agree
                                                             22 a consumer making a decision to purchase an
23 that the consumer does not care that Federal may
                                                             23 insurance product from Federal does not know that
24 use Blaze as a part of its complex processes to
                                                             24 Blaze was used at any point in the process in
25 issue or underwrite a particular insurance product?
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                                                             25 selling or underwriting that product, correct?
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1 product owned by what today is known as LexisNexis. 1 brought me there because they wanted to mi -- they 2 It was first created by Equifax's insurance services 2 wanted to migrate their policy admin, billing and 3 division, which later morphed into a freestanding 3 claims systems into a fresher technology, and they 4 company called ChoicePoint, which was later 4 wanted my expertise in that. That's why they 5 purchased by LexisNexis. CLUE is a database of 5 brought me there. 6 multiple lines of businesses today occurrences from Then you went to a midsize personal 7 a claims standpoint. auto insurance company, correct? The Hartford was one of the first ten Α. That is incorrect. ⁹ companies to participate in CLUE. We were -- we Q. Oh, after a sabbatical? 10 10 were a -- an original supplier, if you will. One Yes. Α. Q. Okay. 11 of the -- one of the things that we did was once a 11 12 month we cut a tape of all of our current claims 12 A. I was the chief vampire for the State 13 activities for the identified market segment 13 of Alabama for the American Red Cross. Anybody 14 products and shipped it to Equifax. Equifax had 14 that asked you to give blood or took blood from you 15 that coming in from a number of companies, and they 15 reported to me. 16 At the midsize personal auto insurance 16 consolidated it all into a database, and if you provided to the database you could, whenever you 17 company, you were the product manager, correct? 18 wanted to, make a call into the database to find 18 I held three different positions for 19 out if Bick Whitener had a claim in the -- that was 19 that company, all three of which were in the 20 in the database, comprehensive loss underwriting product department. 21 exchange. 21 Did that company use a rules 2.2 22 management software? Q. Then you went to Equifax, correct? 23 23 Yeah. They kind of liked the work I No. Again, they were in alternative 24 did on behalf of The Hartford and -- and CLUE. 24 number two, hard coded into Cobalt. 25 And you worked to -- would you say as 25 Then you went to --Page 87 Page 89 1 a sales representative for Equifax products? 1 THE WITNESS: Allen? I'm sorry. I would absolutely not say that. 2 A. MR. HINDERAKER: Sure, be happy to. 3 3 Thank you. THE WITNESS: Thank you. Okay. (Reporter's Note: Mr. Hinderaker gets I was the assistant vice president of 5 the witness another glass of water.) 6 BY MS. JANUS: 6 their property information products for the --7 that -- that they sold for the underwriting process. 7 Q. -- a business process outsourcer in 8 So I had zero sales responsibilities except that --8 Montana? 9 Α. ⁹ I spoke insurance. So if we had a sales rep that That is correct. Wait. Yes, that is 10 really felt like he needed to take someone -- or he 10 correct. 11 or she needed to take someone with them who spoke 11 Q. And did that entity use a rules 12 management system? 12 insurance, I would get a phone call and would be 13 released to go accompany the person. 13 It did not. 14 Q. You then went to Prudential? 14 In 2004, you became the director of 15 Α. That is correct. 15 project management for a midsize P&C insurance 16 Okay. And you were the director of 16 carrier, correct? 17 information services -- systems? I'm sorry. 17 A. That is correct. 18 Yes, systems. 18 Which company was that? O. 19 Okay. Did Prudential use a rules 19 It's a small -- well, it's a midsize 20 insurance company called American Reliable. Today 20 management software? 21 No. Again, they didn't exist at that 21 they are owned by Globe Indemnity. Globe Indemnity 22 period of time. So Prudential was operating in purchased them approximately 18 months ago. 23 that -- in a that hard-coding-of-the-rules 23 Did that company have a rules 24 environment. 24 management software?

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Allow me to point out that Prudential

No. In fact, that company brought me

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- 1 there because they wanted to transition software,
- 2 and one of the decision criteria that we put
- 3 together was the ability to get out of the hard
- 4 coding of rules to software that we ultimately
- 5 selected allowed us to do that.
 - Q. And what software was that?
- 7 A. Duck Creek.

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- Q. Duck Creek is a software that insurance
- 9 companies use for rules management, correct?
- 10 A. Duck Creek is a software that allows
- 11 rules to be built inside of policy admin or billing
- 12 or claims, and its interfaces are set up so that
- 13 the consumer -- I'm sorry, the business people, be
- 14 it product managers or corporate underwriting, can,
- 15 in fact, modify the rules.
- You'll enjoy my story about the
- 17 selection process.
- MR. HINDERAKER: Wait for a question.
- 19 BY MS. JANUS:
- Q. Did you consider Blaze in the process
- 21 of selecting software while you were at that
- 22 company?
- A. To the best of my knowledge, Blaze did
- 24 not exist. So, no. To the best of my knowledge at
- 25 that time.

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- Q. When did you select software for the
- 2 company?
- 3 A. Two thousand -- You told me I arrived
- 4 there in 2004?
- 5 Q. It looks like it from your --
- 6 A. Yeah.
- 7 Q. -- report.
- 8 A. If that's -- if that's -- if that's
- ⁹ what it says, 2004. It took us less than a year to
- 10 make the decision on the selection of software.
- Q. Then you became the general manager of
- 12 a Midwest division of a midsize P&C personal auto
- 13 insurance company?
- 14 A. That is correct.
- Q. Which company was that?
- 16 A. The company in those days was known as
- 17 Unitrin Specialty, and actually Unitrin, Unitrin
- 18 Specialty was a strategic business unit within
- 19 Unitrin. Today you will know them as Kemper.
- Q. Did that company use a business rules
- 21 management software?
- A. Not to my -- not to my knowledge.
- 23 Q. You did not have occasion to work with
- 24 a rules management software while you were there?
- A. That is correct.

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- 1 Q. That was not a part of your job
- 2 responsibility?
 - A. That is correct.
- 4 Q. And, then, you were -- How long were
- 5 you with that company?
- 6 A. Memory test, huh? Um, three-and-a-half 7 years.
 - Q. Because the next entrance you -- or
- ⁹ the next item you have is in 2009. You went to
- 10 work for a small technology services company that
- 11 sold implementation services of vendor policy
- 12 administration systems to P&C insurance companies?
- 13 A. Correct.
 - Q. Which company was that?
- 15 A. Its name was Discoverture Solutions.
- 16 It is now Mindtree.
- Q. What does that mean, sold
- 18 implementation services of vendor policy
- 19 administration systems?
 - A. The vendor landscape in policy
- 21 administration systems in those days had
- 22 approximately 65 different vendors that offered a
- 23 policy administration system. This company
- 24 specialized in providing professional services in
- 25 much the way -- much the same way that FICO
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- $^{\mbox{\scriptsize 1}}$ provides professional services to Federal, and they
- ² would go in and they would help with the actual
- ³ implementation of the licensed software.
- 4 Q. For policy administration systems?
- 5 A. Primarily. It could be other things.
- 6 It could be billing, it could be -- it could be
- 7 claims. We even -- we even dabbled in management
- 8 reporting, but we only did -- we didn't market
- $^{9}\,$ that. If somebody requested us to help with that,
- 10 we would.
- Q. Does that -- did that position in 2009
- 12 have anything to do with rules management software?
- 13 A. It had -- I'm going to say no.
- Q. And you were there until 2014; is that
- 15 correct?

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- A. That is correct. No, 2013.
- Q. Okay. What did you do between 2013
- 18 and 2014?
- 19 A. Prepared to move to beautiful scenic
- 20 Huntsville in the great State of Alabama. We had
- 21 aging parent issues.
 - Q. Let's talk about Federal's use of
- 23 Blaze. We've talked about at various times this
- 24 morning policy administration systems. In general25 terms, what is a policy administration system?

- A policy administration system is the 2 system that executes an insurance company's quote, 3 bind, book, issue process for multiple transactions. 4 In addition, it executes the termination process 5 for policies that an insurance company may have 6 already sold. It is the -- it is the core database 7 of characteristics. I'm 64 years old, that's an 8 insure -- that's an insurance characteristic. I 9 have gray hair, that's not an insurance 10 characteristic.
- 11 So it -- it was the -- it was the 12 prelim -- it is the preliminary database as it 13 relates to that quote, bind, book, issue terminate 14 and -- change-and-terminate process, it's the 15 engine. Oh, pardon me. 16 Federal, I take it, has policy
- 17 administration systems?
- Multiple. 18 Α.
- 19 Are any of those policy administration
- 20 systems at issue in this case?
- 21 A. Yes. Well, the use of Blaze Advisor 22 as the rules management system or the automated 23 decision system as used by several of those policy 24 administration systems is part of this case or

25 is -- is relevant to this case. Page 95 Which systems are those?

- A. Memory test. All right. So may I go 3 to my report?
- Q. Sure.
- All right. CSI Express is used by the 6 Chubb Specialty Insurance small business unit -- or ⁷ strategic business unit. Excuse me.
- Which paragraph of your report are you Q. 9 looking at?
- 10 I am looking at multiple paragraphs, 11 but let's start on page 7, section V, paragraph 28.
- 12 Q. Okay.

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- 13 A. Shall I continue?
- 14 Q. So CSI Express is a policy --
- 15 Administration system.
 - Administration system. And CSI
- 17 Express was developed by Federal, correct?
- I cannot answer that question. I 18
- 19 don't know. I mean, I didn't do a history of
- 20 Federal's deployment of technology. I will say
- 21 this, I expect so, but I cannot definitively
- 22 confirm or deny that.
- 23 Okay. And CSI Express was in use at
- 24 Federal prior to Federal's use of Blaze, correct? 25
 - The artifacts indicate that that is

1 the case, yes.

- Q. Blaze is used in CSI Express, correct?
- The artifacts indicate that that is
- 4 the case, yes.
 - Q. It is one small part of CSI Express,
- 6 correct?
- CSI Express uses multiple technologies.
- 8 It is a component of that. The relative size or
- 9 significance of it depends on your denominator. So
- 10 I can't respond to that.
 - Okay. So you don't know how
- 12 significant of a component Blaze is within CSI
- 13 Express?

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- 14 A. Significance of component cannot be
- 15 assessed until you tell me what the denominator is.
- 16 Are you measuring it as one against X numbers of
- 17 technologies, are you measuring it against the
- 18 relative functional value that each of the
- 19 individual components contributes to the quote,
- 20 bind, book, issue process? I don't know what your
- 21 denominator is.
- 22 Well, how would you -- did you -- did
- 23 you measure -- let me ask it this way. Did you
- 24 measure the relative significance of Blaze in CSI
- 25 Express as compared to the other technologies that Page 97

- ¹ are used in CSI Express?
- A. I submit to you that my entire report
- 3 is an evaluation of the functional value of Blaze
- 4 Advisor inside of multiple of the Federal policy
- 5 administration systems.
 - And we're talking about CSI Express Q.
- ⁷ first.

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- A. Okay.
- Q. My question for you is, did you do any
- 10 measurement or analysis of how significant a part
- 11 of CSI Express Blaze is?
 - MR. HINDERAKER: I'd like to object to
- 13 the question as multiple in form, one is
- 14 significance, the other is analysis. Which are you
- 15 asking?
- 16 MS. JANUS: I think you mean
- ¹⁷ measurement or analysis.
- 18 BY MS. JANUS:
- So let's start with measurement? 19 Q.
- I did not quantitatively measure in 21 terms of this report. My responsibility was
- 22 qualitative and functional.
- So are you able to opine as to the 24 specific value that comes from CSI Express that is
- 25 attributable to Blaze?

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- I'm able to opine the functional value 2 attributable to Blaze as it relates to the execution 3 of business rules inside of the policy administration
- 4 system which is using the software.
- Q. What is that?
- Α. In this case we're discussing CSI 7 Express.
- Q. Right. But you're saying you're able
- to opine on the functional value?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Okay.
- 12 A. Oh, good.
- 13 Q. And what do you --
- 14 Good. I'm sorry. Now I understand
- 15 your question. Okay.
- So let's go back to my three things 16
- 17 that are important: speed, ease of doing business,
- 18 and accuracy and adequacy of the price. Blaze
- 19 functionally makes all of those better. It improves
- 20 the speed of response for the independent broker.
- 21 It makes the job of the independent broker easier,
- 22 which translates then into the ease that the
- 23 applicant or customer experiences, and it is
- 24 contributing to the adequacy of the price for the
- ²⁵ proposed coverage package.
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- Are those all functions that CSI
- ² Express performs or Blaze specifically?
- 3 A. Both.
- Have you done an analysis of what
- 5 amount of improvement to speed, ease of doing
- 6 business, adequacy of price is attributable to
- 7 Blaze --
- A. That --
- Q. -- as opposed to CSI Express?
- 10 That was outside of the scope of my 11 responsibilities.
- 12 So you can't opine as to what
- 13 improvements, if any, in terms of speed, ease of
- 14 doing business or adequacy of price are specifically
- 15 attributable to Blaze, correct?
- 16 Quantitatively, no. Qualitatively, 17 yes, the things I've already articulated.
- The things you've articulated, though,
- 19 relate to the functioning of CSI Express generally,
- 20 correct?

- 21 They relate to the -- to all of the
- 22 tools and mechanisms used by the owner of the
- 23 software, Federal, to execute their quote, bind,
- 24 book, issue, modify, terminate processes.
 - And here we're talking about CSI
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- 1 Express?
- 2 A. Here specifically we're discussing CSI
- 3 Express, yes.
- And as we've established, Blaze is one 4
- 5 small part of CSI Express?
- As long as you and I agree that your
- 7 measurement is footprint, yes. If you and I are
- 8 discussing functional value, no. You choose. Not
- 9 meaning to be disrespectful, it's got to be one or
- 10 the other.
- 11 Q. Do you know what the other components
- 12 of CSI Express are?
- 13 There are artifacts that articulate
- 14 the various and sundry components. I assure you I
- 15 spent less than one second reviewing those.
- 16 How can you have an opinion as to
- 17 Blaze's contribution to speed, ease of doing
- 18 business or adequacy of price if you do not know
- 19 what the other components of the complex application
- 20 it resides in -- namely, CSI Express -- are?
- 21 CSI Express is a policy administration
- 22 system. It quotes. But going to inside of CSI
- 23 Express, specifically Decision Point as -- just as
- 24 one example, CSI Express Decision Point won't quote
- 25 if it doesn't meet the definition of the rules, the Page 101
- 1 risk attribute.
- That's why insurance companies have
- 3 rules, to frame for their distribution system -- in
- 4 this case independent agents and brokers -- the
- 5 definition of their risk appetite. I've been working
- 6 with underwriting insurance rules and the use of
- 7 technology to make those processes better for the
- 8 brokers and agents for a really long time.
- You have never worked with a policy
- 10 administration that utilizes a rules management
- 11 software, correct?

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- A. Correct.
- 13 The value that you've articulated as
- 14 speed, ease of doing business, and adequacy of
- 15 price, would you characterize those as efficiencies?
- 16 No. Again, it's Rubik's Cube.
- 17 There's written premium impact, there's loss cost
- 18 impact, and there is expense impact across the use
- of a system like this.
 - Q. Can you quantify --
 - Α. I was never asked to quantify anything.
 - So you cannot quantify any contribution
- 23 that Blaze has on any of the factors you just listed?
- 24 That is correct. I was not asked to
- 25 quantify anything. It's out of the scope of my

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1	1 way any used same at 2
agreement and arrangement. MS. JANUS: All right. Let's take a	1 never used, correct? 2 A. That is correct.
² MS. JANUS: All right. Let's take a ³ short break.	
THE WITHESO. Odio. My blad	4 never seen demonstrated until yesterday, correct?
5 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Going off the 6 record. The time is 11:39 a.m.	5 A. Also correct. 6 (Whereupon Deposition Exhibit No. 515
	(Wildiagon, Doposition Extribit No. 616
7 (Break from 11:39 to 12:30.) 8 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We're back on the	7 was marked for identification, and a copy is
	8 attached and hereby made a part of this deposition.) 9 BY MS. JANUS:
9 record. The time is 12:30 p.m. THE WITNESS: [Witness coughing] Pardon	
The trittees [tritioes soughing] tarden	Q. Showing you what's been marked as
11 me. 12 BY MS. JANUS:	
	12 MR. HINDERAKER: Thank you. 13 BY MS. JANUS:
	14 Q this is the document that you
14 Wit-ner), you understand you're still under oath?	
15 A. I do. 16 Would you please use Whitener	15 reference in footnote 1 of your report? 16 A. May may I have a moment, please?
Would you please use Whitener (phonetic White-ner)?	A. May may I have a moment, please? Q. Oh, sure.
18 Q. Oh, sure.	18 A. Thank you, thank you. Ah,
19 A. You'll get a better response from	19 double-sided.
20 Q. My apologies.	20 Q. And, Mr. Whitener, the question before
21 A. No, no, no worries. I can't tell you	21 you is, could you confirm that this is the document
22 how many times I've made that statement in the years.	22 that you've cited in footnote 1 of your report?
23 Q. If you could turn to your report,	23 And that's on page 4 of your report.
24 let's start on page 4 of Exhibit 513. And this	24 A. Coming. It is.
25 section of the report is entitled FICO's Blaze	25 Q. Okay. And
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¹ Advisor® Decision Management Software, correct?	1 A. Well, let me rephrase that. This
² A. Yeah, section IV.	2 this is this footnote does, in fact, relate to
³ Q. How would you characterize the facts	3 the quote to a quote that is documented here.
4 and data that you relied upon in forming the	4 There are multiple artifacts that this quote is in.
5 conclusions you've reached in section IV of your	5 This is the one I choose for choose to use for
6 report?	6 the footnote in the report.
7 A. I would characterize them as my	7 Q. Sure. Okay. As authority for the
8 fundamental belief based on noted artifacts, based	8 point you're making in paragraph 21, correct?
9 on a functional analysis of the software that shows	9 A. Yes.
10 that Blaze Advisor contributes to the automate	10 Q. Okay. And Exhibit 515 is a FICO
automated decisioning of Federal's business units,	11 document, correct? 12 A. Interestingly, its front name on the
wherein it is deployed, it's not deployed in all	7
the business units, and that Blaze Advisor is highly regarded by the industry analyst community.	13 document is Henry Mirolyuz, a Chubb employee. The 14 presentation is a FICO™ Forum: Decision Management
 highly regarded by the industry analyst community, and I note that through the quoting of a Forrester 	15 Tools User Group, and both companies' logos are on
	16 the document. To the extent that each of those
group, Research group's document, where they analyzed the functionality and the future vision of	17 entities contributed to this, I cannot speak.
18 various and sundry decision management systems.	18 Q. Okay. So you don't know who as
19 Q. And you mentioned a functional	19 between FICO and Federal authored what in this
20 analysis of the software. Are you referring to	20 document, correct?
21 Chubb's software Federal's software, I should	21 A. That is correct.
22 say?	22 Q. Take a look at the page marked 57211?
23 A. No. In this section I am referring to	23 A. I'm there.
24 the Blaze Advisor decision software.	24 Q. This has a list of Lessons Learned,
25 Q. And that is a software that you have	25 correct?
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1 doing business, and establishing the adequate 1 attribute to CSI Express results from the fact that 2 accurate price point. You can't call those in the 2 Blaze Advisor is in CSI Express or from other 3 insurance process small, because the rate, the 3 technologies and functionalities that are in CSI 4 quote, the bind, the book, and the issue processes 4 Express, correct? 5 do not work unless that's done. A. That is correct. I have done no --How have you attributed speed to Blaze 6 You've answered the question. ⁷ specifically within the complex application that is 7 Α. -- quanti --8 CSI Express? 8 Q. Go ahead. 9 A. If -- I have done no level of MR. HINDERAKER: You may finish your 10 quantitative work. So you're asking me to provide 10 answer. 11 you my thoughts on did it make it better by one 11 THE WITNESS: I have repeatedly said I 12 day, by two days, by three days? I can't provide 12 did zero quantification assessment of this situation. 13 you that. That was out of the scope of my work. 13 BY MS. JANUS: Q. I take it, then, you also don't know 14 In fact, you do not know whether CSI 15 whether Blaze specifically versus some other 15 Express actually increased the speed of response to 16 technology within CSI Express contributes to the 16 requests for quote at Federal, correct? 17 speed that you've opined CSI Express delivers, 17 That is correct. That would require 18 correct? 18 data. 19 19 If I took the architectural footprint, In your mind, would it be even 20 which you've referenced several times, there are --20 possible to measure the contribution that Blaze has 21 pardon me -- components of the architectural process 21 to the speed that you've discussed CSI Express 22 creating? 22 that contribute to that rate. A -- a system does 23 23 two times three much faster than a human being does Having had the privilege of giving 24 two times three and with an incredibly higher 24 that question zero thought, I can't answer it. 25 That --25 accuracy rate. But you -- you -- you do not --Page 151 Page 153 1 it's a Rubik's Cube, as I said earlier. You don't 1 Q. So you --2 sit down and look at components of the software and 2 That --Α. 3 say this component makes this happen or that happen. 3 Q. -- just don't --4 It performs a function. 4 Α. That requires thought. The functions that Blaze Advisor Q. So you just don't know whether it 6 specifically -- I would say -- if I were talking 6 would be possible -- possible to measure that? 7 about any of the ten, whose names I don't know or 7 MR. HINDERAKER: Misstates --8 remember, decision management systems that Forester 8 objection, misstates the answer. 9 BY MS. JANUS: 9 Research included in their report, all of those are 10 designed to improve the quote, bind, book, issue 10 Q. Is that correct? 11 process, which is critical to the accumulation of 11 I have zero data and I have not spent 12 one minute thinking about how I would do that. 12 written premium. If you quote and don't convert --13 and I don't know what these numbers are, but 13 I -- I live in a world where most things are 14 Federal has a quote number coming in, I don't know 14 possible. The question is what does it take to get 15 what that number is, Federal has a quote converted 15 it done. 16 to policy number, I don't know what that number is, 16 (Whereupon, Deposition Exhibit No. 520 17 but there is a direct link between those three 17 was marked for identification, and a copy is 18 items. You can talk to almost any insurance 18 attached and hereby made a part of this deposition.) 19 BY MS. JANUS: 19 executive, I quoted Mark Watson of Argo, a couple 20 of other people, about their view of the need to 20 Showing you what's been marked as 21 make these kind of advancements in use of 21 Exhibit 520, this is the CSI Express component view 22 technology to accelerate and execute the quote, 22 that was contained in Mr. McCarter's report. 23 bind, book, issue process. 23 Yes, from Mr. McCarter's report.

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Do you agree with me based on this

25 component view that CSI Express is a complex

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My question was, you did not do an

25 analysis to determine whether the speed that you

- 1 application involving many technologies?
 - A. Yes.
- Do you know what all of the various Q.
- 4 components that are depicted in this chart do in
- 5 CSI Express?
 - Α. AII?
- Q. Yes.
- No. Some of the -- some of their
- ⁹ acronyms, I don't even know what they mean.
- 10 Do you know what each of these
- 11 components contributes to what you have opined are
- 12 the benefits of CSI Express?
- 13 I'm not sure I opined that C -- that
- 14 anything other than Blaze Advisor provided benefits
- 15 to CIS. So as relates to this current state
- 16 exhibit, CI -- Blaze Advisor inside of CIS Express
- contributes to the benefits I articulate, but I
- can't speak to any of the other systems.
- 19 I can -- I can tell you generally
- 20 speaking in the insurance industry what an under
- 21 man -- underwriting manager workbench does, I can
- 22 tell you what product figuration does, but I can't
- answer the specific question you're asking.
- 2.4 Turning back to your report, in
- 25 paragraph 36?

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- 1 contributes to revenue on general goals of
- 2 insurance companies in the industry?
- Not exactly. I am basing my opinion
- 4 on the fact that every insurance company that I've
- 5 ever talked with is focused on that quote, bind,
- 6 book, issue process for new business and for
- 7 renewals, and that Blaze Advisor contributes to
- 8 getting responses inside of the quote process faster,
- 9 contributes to getting accurate adequate premium
- 10 faster, it contributes to easing the burden on the
- 11 independent agent or broker, meaning ease of doing
- 12 business, and it contributes to the relative
- 13 adequacy and acc -- attaining the adequate and
- 14 accurate premium.
- 15 And -- but you did not actually
- 16 analyze whether it did contribute to those things
- 17 you've just listed at Federal, correct?
- 18 I did no quantification, that is Α.
- 19 correct.
- 20 Q. Do you know whether Blaze Advisor
- 21 actually increased or decreased the revenues of
- 22 Federal?

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- A. I have done no quantification.
 - Q. I take it you don't know whether Blaze
- 25 Advisor actually contributed to an increase in

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- I'm there, I'm there. A.
- You state that "CSI eXPRESS's use of
- 3 Blaze Advisor contributes to revenue by increasing
- 4 the speed of response to a request for a quote
- 5 and...speed of making renewal offers," correct?
- 6 A. I do.
- And we've discussed that you don't
- 8 actually know whether the speed of response was
- increased, correct -- at Federal, I should say?
 - I have no quantification.
- 11 You don't know whether the speed of
- 12 making renewal offers was increased, correct?
 - I have no quantification.
- 14 How have you concluded that CSI
- 15 Express's use of Blaze Advisor contributes to
- 16 revenue?
 - A. So I go back to my three original
- points. There -- insurance companies try to improve
- 19 their positions in getting more quotes, converting
- more quotes, hanging on to more renewals through
- 21 three fundamental strategies: speed -- that's both
- 22 speed of response and speed to market -- ease of

Okay. And so you're basing your

- 23 doing business, and adequate accurate pricing.
- 25 opinion that CSI Express's use of Blaze Advisor
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- 1 revenue or profit at Federal, correct?
- That would require a quantification.
- 3 I have done no quantification, no.
- You do not cite to any authority in
- 5 paragraph 36, correct?
 - A. That is correct.
- Q. And --
- So -- so when I don't cite, you should
- assume that I am relying on 41 years and a lot of 10 gray hair in this business.
- 11 So your opinion in paragraph 36 is
- 12 based upon your experience in the industry?
 - And conversations at industry
- 14 conferences with other insurance executives, and
- 15 conversations at industry conferences with software
- 16 vendors.
- 17 Those are conversations you had in
- 18 connection with authoring your report?
 - A.
- 20 Q. Are those conversations you had about
- 21 Blaze Advisor?
 - Conversations I had -- no. I --
- 23 conversations I generally have making sure that I
- 24 keep my mind aware of what's going on in the
- 25 insurance industry. I have not discussed Blaze
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- Randolph Bickley Whitener CONFIDENTIAL ATTORNEYS' EYES ONLY 6/27/2019 It's not the applications, it's 1 relying on Profitability Indicator and some other ² particular softwares within the applications, is 2 things to establish the price point, offer it to 3 that what you're saying? 3 the agent, and if the agent closes the business, A. It is particular software within the 4 then to start the bind and execute process. 5 overall application. That is what I am saying. So, if a market segment product line And including software other than 6 is not using a -- an automated decision system, I 7 Blaze, correct? 7 would agree with the statement. But if the -- if A. Oh, absolutely correct. 8 the market segment product line is using a deci --And you would agree that it's the 9 an automated decision software, then I would 10 actuaries at Chubb that actually establish the 10 disagree with the statement. 11 premiums, correct? 11 Take a look back at your reply report, 12 No. Okay. It is the actuaries at 12 which is Exhibit 514? 13 Chubb that establish the price for various 13 A. I have it. 14 combinations of risk attributes. That then transfers 14 And in paragraph 6 you state --Q. 15 to an underwriting function. 15 A. I'm there. 16 16 That underwriting function ---- at the -- right before the bullet 17 especially -- especially in -- in commercial lines, 17 points you state, "Chubb & Sons sought to," and 18 that underwriting function takes the actuarial --18 then you list four bullet points, correct? 19 19 and I'm going to use a term here, indication, a A. Correct. 20 projected needed price point, and it is the 20 Q. And you do not know whether Blaze 21 underwriter's job to work with that. They may 21 Advisor contributed to Chubb & Sons' ability to do 22 modify it, they may not, they may accept it. But 22 the things that are listed in the bullet points, 23 correct? 23 the actuary's job is to take data from the past in 24 24 terms of the risk attributes and tell the A. I have performed no quantitative 25 underwriters based on what's happened in the past 25 analysis, no. Page 225 1 here's where you need to be from a price point. 1 You then state right after that, 2 "All" of "these benefits allowed Federal to grow in Okay. So the actuaries make the ³ suggestion about the correct price point, correct? 3 the small commercial and mid-market commercial A. Yes. 4 sub-segments," correct? A. O. And then -- and those are -- those are Correct. 6 people, actuaries are people, correct? Q. I take it you don't know whether that A. I would go beyond that. They are ⁷ statement is, in fact, true, correct? 8 using systems to -- to do that. I have performed no quantifi --9 quant -- quantify benefit analysis. So, no, I do Q. But an actuary is a job that a person 10 performs, correct? 10 not. 11 11 A. Yes. Q. Okay. And you don't cite to any 12 12 authority for that statement, correct? Q. Okay. And -- and, then, the 13 underwriters, the individuals who perform 13 I believe that is correct.
- 14 underwriting at Federal then consider the
- 15 recommendation made by the actuary, correct?
- 16 That's your testimony?
- 17 The actuary -- I'm sorry. The underwriters use that as a data point, not the only 19 data point but as a data point, yes.
- 20 And they make the ultimate decision at 21 Federal about what price to sell the policy at, 22 correct?
- 2.3 You can't make that statement with 24 DecisionPoint, because there are no underwriters
- 25 involved in DecisionPoint. DecisionPoint is Page 224

- 14 Q. The next sentence states, "Reducing
- 15 time to market for new products increased gross
- 16 written premium generated by those new products."
- 17 Same question, you don't know whether that is, in
- 18 fact, true with respect to Federal, correct?
- 19 That is a reference to the acquisition 20 of the book of business. So while I 21 have not talked with anyone at Federal, Chubb, ACE
- 22 Limited about the acquisition of that book of
- 23 business, artifacts indicate that it was, in fact, 24 acquired.
 - Q. You don't know whether Blaze Advisor

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1 Sure. You don't know whether he 1 actually contributed to the reducing time to market Q. ² was -- put it this way, he did not refer to Blaze? 2 for new products increasing gross written premium 3 generated by those new products, correct? Α. That is correct. A. I know that the Premium Booking Okay. And do you consider Blaze to be 4 Q. 5 Modernization project was required in order to 5 artificial intelligence? 6 acquire that book of business. So, Α. Actually, yes. ⁷ no. 7 Blaze as implemented at Federal? Q. 8 Q. And is that all you base that 8 Α. On certain market segments, product statement on? 9 lines, yes. 10 Q. 10 That is the tangible example I can Which market segments and product Α. give you from artifacts where that was demonstrated. 11 lines? 12 Q. Other than that --12 Α. Let's go with CSI Express automated 13 MR. HINDERAKER: Excuse me. 13 renewal processing, CSI Express DecisionPoint, CSI 14 BY MS. JANUS: 14 Express Profitability Indicator. Those are all 15 Q. -- example that you gave, you don't 15 uses of the system relying on what I would call 16 know whether the statement is true with respect to 16 artificial intelligence. If you come down to the 17 anything else at Federal, correct? 17 commercial -- Chubb Commercial Insurance, CCI, 18 18 Profitabilities Indicator there would be my A. Correct. I have performed no 19 quantifiable -- I'm sorry, quantification analysis. 19 definition of artificial intelligence. 20 In footnote 8 on page 3, you discuss 20 Q. And what is your definition of 21 artificial intelligence? 21 artificial intelligence and robotics, correct? 22 22 I quote Chubb associates, Chubb Artificial intelligence is the use of 23 Limited associates in terms of their talking about 23 and deployment of technology to execute certain 24 functions so that you don't have to rely on human 24 technology. 25 25 capital to do so. And you would agree that Federal is Page 227 Page 229 1 not using Blaze for any artificial intelligence or 1 Q. Do you know whether FICO defines 2 robotics capabilities, correct? ² Blaze --3 Inside the insurance industry, the --Α. No. I'm sorry, I'm sorry, to 4 the term artificial intelligence has so many interrupt. Go ahead. 5 meanings that I hesitate to respond affirmative on O. Blaze as used by Federal as artificial 6 that. I have been in -- in conversations with 6 intelligence? 7 people that considered decision management software 7 Α. 8 to be an artificial intelligence. 8 Q. They do not define it that way? Okay. So they're using Blaze, which 9 A. I do not know. 10 is decision management or rules management software, 10 Q. You do not know. On page 9 of your 11 correct? 11 reply report --12 12 Α. Correct. A. Patience, Counselor. I'm there. 13 Other than the rules management aspect 13 Just above paragraph 20 you state that 14 of Blaze, are you aware of any other robotics or 14 "Blaze Advisor software...executed, at one point, 15 artificial intelligence --15 just over thirty-five thousand rules." Do you see 16 A. I -- I --16 that? 17 Q. -- that --17 Α. I do. I would take robotics off the table. 18 And you understand that Blaze Advisor 18 Q. 19 I've been with people that would call Profitability 19 software does not process all of the rules used by 20 Indicator, DecisionPoint artificial intelligence. 20 Federal, correct? 21 Automated rule processing, I've been with people 21 A. Yes. 22 that would call that artifical intelligence. I 22 Q. And would it be safe to say that 23 can't -- I can't speak to the Chubb Limited CEO, 23 Federal uses hundreds of thousands of rules at any

24 Mr. Greenberg's use of that phrase artificial

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24 given time to conduct its business?

I can't speak to that.

- CASE 0:16-cv-01054-DTS Doc. 651 Filed 10/23/19 Page 20 of 20 Q. You just --1 knowledge of the insurance industry and Federal, That would --2 that Blaze is one of at least hundreds, if not 2 Α. 3 -- don't know? Q. 3 thousands, of other technologies generally that That would be pure unadulterated 4 4 Federal uses to conduct its business? MR. HINDERAKER: Objection, asked and 5 speculation on my part. Okay. Do you think that it's 6 answered. 7 reasonable, given the size of Federal and its THE WITNESS: I -- I -- I object 8 business, to assume that Federal has hundreds and 8 to hundreds. The artifacts that I've looked at 9 thousands of rules that it uses to conduct its 9 don't take me to a position where I -- where I look 10 business? 10 and say, yeah, holy cow, there's, you know, X number, 11 other than Mr. McCarter's report. 11 MR. HINDERAKER: Objection, lack of 12 foundation, asks for speculation. You can answer 12 Mr. McCarter's report, I believe, 13 the --13 relies on some of the artifacts I have access to. 14 THE WITNESS: I -- I --14 I did not count the number of technologies deployed. MR. HINDERAKER: -- question, if you 15 15 BY MS. JANUS: 16 can. 16 Well, in your experience in the 17 THE WITNESS: I -- and any answer, 17 industry, would it surprise you if it's hundreds or 18 Counselor, that I gave you would be pure 18 thousands of other technologies deployed at a 19 unadulterated speculation on my part. 19 company the size of Federal? 20 BY MS. JANUS: 20 Based on my experience in the 21 Q. You just don't know? 21 insurance industry, it would not surprise me if the 2.2 22 count of individual technology applications was I just don't know. In paragraph 10 of your reply report, 23 extremely high. Federal, Chubb & Sons, ACE Limited 24 you discuss the Chubb Limited Annual Report. It's 24 is operating in three marketplaces. They are 25 operating with literally in excess of a hundred 25 on page 5. Page 231 Oh, I'm sorry, I went to page 10. I 1 1 products, and that's just in the commercial -- I'm 2 apologize. Yes. 2 sorry, Chubb Specialty Insurance small business --3 Q. And in that report technology is 3 or, I'm sorry, strategic business unit. 4 generally referred to, correct? I'm comfortable saying it's a lot. A. In this specific reference, yes. 5 I'm uncomfortable saying how many. There is no specific reference to 6 Q. Sure. And just -- specifically, you Q. 7 Blaze, correct? 7 reference McCarter's report. In his report he 8 estimates that it is 1,545 technologies that are Correct. And we've discussed the fact that 9 used to build and implement Federal's business O. 10 Blaze is one of hundreds or thousands of technologies 10 applications. 11 that Federal uses to conduct its business, correct? 11 Do you have a reason to disagree with 12 MR. HINDERAKER: Objection, asked and 12 that estimate one way or another? 13 answered. 13 No. I have a -- I have a position of 14 THE WITNESS: I take objection to the 14 that's an interesting statistic. It's not relative 15 phrase hundreds and thousands. We have agreed that 15 to my analysis, which I believe I say in my reply 16 Blaze Advisor is not the only software inside of 16 report. 17 the footprint of the technology that is contributing 17 Your conclusion that Blaze Advisor 18 to the quote, bind, book, issue underwriting 18 contributes to Federal's revenue could be extended 19 process. We've agreed with that, yes. 19 to, basically, any other technology that Federal 20 BY MS. JANUS: 20 uses, correct?
 - 21 Α. No. 22
 - Q. Could you extend your conclusion to
 - 23 Microsoft Word?
 - 24 Because my conclusion is based on a 25 specific direct-written-premium-generating process,
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Q. And would you also agree, based on

Would you also agree, based on your

22 your knowledge of the insurance industry and of

23 Federal, that Blaze is one of only -- I'm sorry,

24 strike that.

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